Quantum Mechanics III, set 2.

Ex. 1. Consider special solutions of Klein-Gordon equation

$$(\hbar^2 g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu + m^2 c^2) \Psi(\vec{x}; t) = 0,$$

in a form

$$\Psi_{\vec{p}}^{\pm}(\vec{x};t) = e^{\mp \frac{i}{\hbar}E_{p}t + \frac{i}{\hbar}\vec{p}\vec{x}}, \quad E_{p} = +\sqrt{\vec{p}^{2}c^{2} + m^{2}c^{4}}.$$

Check the norm of these states, i.e. calculate

$$\int d^3x i\hbar \left(\Psi_{\vec{q}}^{\pm *}(\vec{x};t) (\partial_t \Psi_{\vec{p}}^{\pm}(\vec{x};t)) - (\partial_t \Psi_{\vec{q}}^{\pm *}(\vec{x};t)) \Psi_{\vec{p}}^{\pm}(\vec{x};t) \right).$$

- a) How this norm transforms under orthochronous Lorentz transformations?
- b) What are the transformation rules for: d^3p , $d^3p/(2E_p)$?
- c) Consider a general solution of the Klein-Gordon equation in a form

$$\Phi(\vec{x},t) = \int (dp) \left(a(\vec{p}) \Psi_{\vec{p}}^+(\vec{x},t) + b^*(\vec{p}) \Psi_{\vec{p}}^-(\vec{x},t) \right)$$

where

$$(dp) = \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi\hbar)^3(2E_p)}$$

Find a norm of this state.

Ex. 2. We introduce interaction to the K-G equation:

$$(\hbar^2 g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu + m^2 c^2 + W(\vec{x}, t)) \Psi(\vec{x}; t) = 0,$$

where $W(\vec{x}, t)$ is a given function. Let us assume a particular form of this function

$$W(\vec{x};t) = -\frac{C}{r}$$

(which means it is time independent and spherically symmetric, with some constant C). We are looking for special solutions of this equation in a form

$$\Psi_E(\vec{x};t) = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}Et} \Phi_E(\vec{x}).$$

- a) Check if there are localized states ($\Phi_E(\vec{x})$ vanish in spatial infinity). For which C? Is energy negative for these states?
- b) Find the energy spectrum of localized states. How are these energies related to mc^2 ?
- c) Check if there are restrictions on the admissible values of C?
- d) Check the transformation properties of solutions with respect to **C**, **P** and **T** transformations.
- e) Find the non-relativistic limit of solutions (expand in c around $c = \infty$). Give the first 3 terms of the expansion.

Hint: Use the analogy with the nonrelativistic Schrödinger equation for the hydrogen atom. **Do not** derive the form of the spherical functions $Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$, only use their properties.

Ex. 3. We introduce electromagnetic interactions with an external field $A_{\mu}(\vec{x}, t)$ defining a *covariant derivative*

$$D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} + \frac{ie}{\hbar c} A_{\mu},$$

where e is a *charge* of the field. The modified K-G equation has a form

$$(\hbar^2 g^{\mu\nu} D_{\mu} D_{\nu} + m^2 c^2) \Psi(\vec{x}; t) = 0.$$

Check that this equation is invariant under a local gauge transformation

$$\Psi(\vec{x},t) = e^{\frac{ie}{\hbar c}\chi(\vec{x},t)}\Psi'(\vec{x},t),$$
$$A_{\mu}(\vec{x},t) = A'_{\mu}(\vec{x},t) - \partial_{\mu}\chi(\vec{x},t).$$

Ex. 4. Consider a special case of equation from Ex. 2., for which $A_{\mu}(x)$ in some gauge have a form:

$$A_0 = -\frac{Ze}{r}, \quad A_i = 0.$$

Similarly as in Ex.1. find the stationary solutions

$$\Psi_E(\vec{x};t) = e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar}Et}\Phi_E(\vec{x}).$$

Find the energy spectrum of these localized solutions.

- a) Do we have localized states with positive and negative energy? How does it depend on Z?
- b) Are there constraints on Z?
- c) Check the transformation of solutions under C, P and T.
- d) Find the non-relativistic limit of solutions (expand in c around $c = \infty$). Give the first 3 terms of the expansion.